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11. (SBU) Econcouns delivered reftel demarche to Minister of Foreign Affairs Director of International Organizations Alice Kintembe on September 15, highlighting Michel Sidibe's qualifications and encouraging GDRC support for his candidacy for UNAIDS Executive Director. Kintembe noted the UN's strong support for the DRC and the importance of combating HIV/AIDS. She stated that, in principal, she did not see any problem for GDRC support of Sidibe's candidacy, but was unfamiliar with the selection process for UNAIDS Executive Director and was unaware of other candidates. She was non-committal on any actions the GRDC may be willing to undertake on behalf of his candidacy.

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